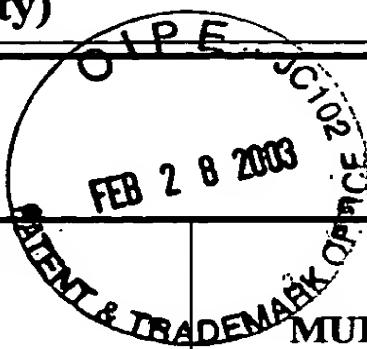


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)

Docket No.
FOS-104-C2

In Re Application Of:
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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 28 OCT 2002 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: 28 JAN 2003
Date

until: 28 FEB 2003
Date

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is \$55 and is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. MASTER CARD
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
 If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 12-2147 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Dated: 28 FEB 2003

Signature

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 28 FEB 2003 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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